

Sixth Street - Friday Morn. 7/11

My dear Sir.

Two days since, I wrote you a long letter to accompany your Carpet Bag, in a package of our friend Torrey's - but, as the good Doctor spent last Evng. with me, I learn that he has not forwarded it, & hence I have determined to send you - as you wished - the best set I could make out of my Sumner's fatherings for Mr. Lowell - I wish, for his sake, they were more in number, & rarer things - but it may be that as the specimens are good, he may not disdain them - especially the genus Spig-weeds! I also send you, in a separate paper, 4 specimens - for your own Herb! which I found in my package from Olney, which I carried from Cambridge unopened - I send you his pathetic remonstrances with them, by which I perceive that I am not the only gentleman who have laboured in vain for the advancement of your paper Herb! So true it is that altho' one man may lead a horse to water, & cannot make him drink - I send you the "Herb" of Wed. & wish you to read the 2 leading articles I have marked, & which are so exactly in accordance with our anticipations as to the first use to be

made of the election of Taylor, by his supporters, viz.
to prove the indifference of the people, in general, as to
the Slavery Extension question; & thus to buckle to the
South, as usual (!) by according to them the so-called
"Compromise" - "My heart is pained, my
head is sick" &c. &c. add to all which, I am "wrathy"
as the gentle-spirited Camper never was -

Tomey & I had a two or three hours' sedentary
last night - on Pig-weeds, in general - in connection
with his collections, which I have - & the consequence is
my recollection is recalled to my Roubidoux Remedy,
which the word is to be all the wiser (& therefore
better ?) for - but to the shame & disgrace of
New York be it said - we have no copy here of the
Ann. Sc. Nat. !! The metropolis of the western continent !!
The Empire City !!! Now, therefore, if you would
send a fellow as you ought to be - meaning thereby
much better than you sometimes are - You will
send me forthwith the date of the papers establishing
respectively the gen^l. Roubidoux & Amberina, that
I may know which has the preference, & "Do up"
my talk understandingly - Once more, my best
love to your dear little Lady, & kindest regards
to Brother Joe & the "Dinner Party" -
Very truly Yrs H.